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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER **SONYIT 3.3-115** Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit H. V. Tran 2623 09/743,166-Conf. #6104 March 20, 2001 Applicant(s): Shintaro Tsutsui and Susumu Nagano Invention: CONTROL METHOD AND CONTROL EQUIPMENT TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number Previously **Extra Claims** After Amendment Present Paid Rate 50.00 1,050.00 **Total Claims** 42 21 = 21 Х Independent 3 3 0 200.00 0.00 Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 1,050.00 Small Entity x Large Entity No additional fee is required for this amendment. 12-1095 1,050.00 × Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. × The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. x Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: September 6, 2007 Natalie S. Morelli Attorney/Agent Reg. No.: 58,545 LERNER, DAVID, LITTENBERG, KRUMHOLZ & MENTLIK, LLP 600 South Avenue West Westfield, New Jersey 07090 (908) 654-5000 I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. Dated: September 6, 2007

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1-21, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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